

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 **Claim 1 (currently amended):** A hearing device
2 comprising:
3 ~~with~~ at least one acoustical to electrical converter,
4 at least one electrical to mechanical converter,
5 at least one signal processing unit, ~~and with~~
6 an electrical power supply unit, wherein
7 said electrical power supply unit and said electrical to
8 mechanical converter are incorporated within a first
9 module, and further wherein
10 said acoustical to electrical converter and said signal
11 processing unit are incorporated in a second module,
12 and wherein
13 said first and said second modules are adapted to be
14 assembled in a ~~disassemblable~~ manner that allows for
15 disassembly, such that each one of said modules are
16 replaceable as a unit.

1 **Claim 2 (previously presented):** The hearing device of
2 claim 1, wherein said electrical power supply unit and said
3 electrical to mechanical converter are unremovably integrated
4 in said first module, said first module being as a whole an
5 exchange part.

1 **Claim 3 (previously presented):** The hearing device
2 according to claim 1 or claim 2, wherein said first module
3 comprises an On/Off control arrangement for said hearing
4 device.

1 **Claim 4 (previously presented):** The hearing device of
2 claim 1, wherein said second module comprises a control unit
3 for said signal processing unit.

1 **Claim 5 (previously presented):** The hearing device
2 according to, claim 1, wherein said hearing aid device is one
3 of an In-The-Ear hearing aid device and of an Outside-The-Ear
4 hearing aid device.

1 **Claim 6 (previously presented):** The hearing device of
2 claim 1, wherein said power supply unit is one of a non-
3 rechargeable battery arrangement and of a rechargeable
4 accumulator arrangement.

1 **Claim 7 (previously presented):** The hearing device of
2 claim 1, wherein said power supply unit at said first module
3 is exchangeable at said first module.

1 **Claim 8 (currently amended):** The hearing device of claim
2 1, wherein said first and second modules are adapted for being
3 assembled and disassembled ~~are assemblable and disassemblable~~ by
4 means of one of a bayonet-type interconnection, a screwing
5 interconnection, and a snap interconnection.

1 **Claim 9 (previously presented):** A hearing device
2 according to claim 1, further comprising a code unit in said
3 first module and a code-reader and decoding unit in said
4 second module, the output of said code-reader and decoder unit
5 being operationally connected to at least one control input of
6 an electronic unit within said second module.

1 **Claim 10 (previously presented):** The hearing device
2 according to claim 1, further comprising an electronic unit
3 within said first module, said electronic unit for said
4 electrical supply unit and said electrical to mechanical
5 converter within said first module.

Claims 11-20(canceled)

1 **Claim 21 (withdrawn):** A method for manufacturing a
2 hearing device, comprising
3 assembling an electrical power supply unit and an
4 electrical to mechanical converter to a first module;
5 assembling an acoustical to electrical converter and a
6 signal processing unit to a second module;
7 assembling said first and second module to substantially
8 form said hearing device in a manner said modules may be
9 disassembled without destroying at least said second module.

1 **Claim 22 (withdrawn):** The method of claim 21, further
2 comprising the step of unremovably integrating said electrical
3 power supply unit and said electrical to mechanical converter
4 into said first module as an integrally formed exchange part
5 of said hearing device.

1 **Claim 23 (withdrawn):** The method of claim 21 or 22,
2 further comprising the step of providing an On/Off control for
3 said hearing device in said first module.

1 **Claim 24 (withdrawn):** The method of claim 21, further
2 comprising the step of integrating in said second module a
3 control unit for externally controlling said signal processing
4 unit.

1 **Claim 25 (withdrawn):** The method of claim 21, further
2 comprising the step of manufacturing a hearing aid device
3 being one of an In-The-Ear hearing device and of an Outside-
4 The-Ear hearing device.

1 **Claim 26 (withdrawn):** The method of claim 21, further
2 comprising the step of assembling into said first module one
3 of at least one un rechargeable battery and of a rechargeable
4 accumulator as said power supply unit.

1 **Claim 27 (withdrawn):** The method of claim 21, further
2 comprising the step of providing said power supply unit in
3 said first module so as to be exchangeable therein.

1 **Claim 28 (withdrawn):** The method of claim 21, further
2 comprising the step of assembling to said first module at
3 least one electronic unit.

1 **Claim 29 (withdrawn):** The method of claim 21, further
2 comprising providing at said first module a code and providing
3 at said second module a code reader and decoder unit, thereby
4 operationally connecting an output of said reader and decoder
5 unit to at least one adjusting input in said second module.

Claims 30-44 (canceled).

1 **Claim 45 (new):** A hearing device comprising:

2 a first module including:

3 an electrical power supply unit, and

4 an electrical to mechanical converter, wherein

5 both said electrical power supply unit and said

6 electrical to mechanical converter are

7 incorporated within said first module;

8 a second module including:

9 an acoustical to electrical converter, and

10 a signal processing unit, wherein

11 both said acoustical to electrical converter and

12 said signal processing unit are incorporated

13 within said second module;

14 and means for releasably connecting said first module to
15 said second module, such that each one of said first module
16 and said second module can be replaced as a unit.

1 **Claim 46 (new):** The hearing device of claim 45, wherein
2 said means for releasably connecting includes a bayonet-type
3 interconnection.

1 **Claim 47 (new):** The hearing device of claim 45, wherein
2 said means for releasably connecting includes a screwing
3 interconnection.

1 **Claim 48 (new):** The hearing device of claim 45, wherein
2 said means for releasably connecting includes a snap
3 interconnection.

1 **Claim 49 (new):** The hearing device of claim 45, wherein
2 said electrical power supply unit and said electrical to
3 mechanical converter are unremovably integrated in said first
4 module, said first module being as a whole an exchange part.

1 **Claim 50 (new):** The hearing device of claim 45, wherein
2 said second module further includes a control unit for said
3 signal processing unit.